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BURMA'S DESIRE FOR SEPARATION.

Principle Approved by the Indian Conference.

EQUITABLE TERMS.

London, Yesterday. The India Round Table Conference meeting in committee approved the principle of the separation of Burma from India, and appointed a special committee to consider the conditions which would enable Burma to be separated from India on equitable terms, and to recommend the best way of securing this end.—Reuter.

What Burma Wants.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Round Table Conference to-day decided that a special Committee be set up "To consider the nature of the conditions which would enable Burma to be separated from India on equitable terms and to recommend the best way of securing this end."

This important decision was reached after the Burmese viewpoint had been placed before the conference by Mr. U. Ba' Pe'. He said that the wishes of the people of Burma were that their country be separated from India. They felt that as a part of the Indian Empire their National Status was liable to disappear. They desired the fullest measure of self-government on an equal footing with the other self-Governing Dominions and, of course, under the same Crown.

On the whole the people of Burma were satisfied that Burma should be separated from India without any further delay, providing for minorities safeguards either in the constitution itself or in the instructions to the Governor, whichever may be found best to meet the case, and also making reasonable financial adjustments as between India and Burma and having a Trade Convention between the two countries.

He considered that Burma should have a constitution, if possible, at the same time as India, and he thought it would be best to have another conference in London to which would be invited a representative of each of the various parties and interests in Burma, some 15 to 20 in all, who would sit here as the present conference sat with representatives of the British Government. That would economise time, avoid trouble, and be more conducive to the peaceful working out of a constitution for Burma.

Consensus of Opinion.

During the discussion Dr. Chintamani, the British India delegate, expressed the view that the will of the people of Burma should be the determining factor, but he did not think there was a unanimous desire for separation from India. The position of Indians in Burma would require careful consideration.

Lord Reading said that there seemed a consensus of opinion favouring the separation of Burma from India. There were many questions such as finance and defence minorities which would not be settled not by a committee of the conference, but only by a special body set up for that purpose. The Committee should consider only the main principles.

The Maharajah of Alwar expressed full sympathy with the Burmese request for separation, and Lord Peel said that when recently in Burma he found a strong and widespread desire for separation from the India Empire. He also thought that after they had had dealt with the subject as far as was possible the conference might assemble in London to work out the general lines of the future Burmese constitution.

The Prime Minister, as Chairman, interpreted the desire of the conference as for a committee which should not attempt to draft a constitution for the new Burma, but which should take note of certain conditions which had to be met in the process of separation. It should further recommend how these could best be met, either by a committee of a commission, or anything else. The wireless service

CANADA ANGRY WITH MR. THOMAS.

Use of Word "Humbug" Taken As A Slight.

MATTERS NOW WORSE.

London, Yesterday. Mr. J. H. Thomas's use of the word "humbug" in connection with the Canadian proposals at the Imperial Conference in the course of a debate in the House of Commons on November 27, has elicited a very forceful reply by Mr. R. B. Bennett, who says:—

"Mr. Thomas has condemned beyond the possibility of further discussion and in language which was deeply resented by the Government of Canada the proposal I made in a sincere desire to meet our individual and common needs. If Mr. Thomas's statement indicates what will be the attitude of the United Kingdom at the conference in Ottawa, then I have little hope that any agreement which Canada may reach with other overseas Dominions will include the United Kingdom." He concludes:—

"If Canada's proposal is thus to be contemptuously rejected, Canadians can only accept and act upon rejection by embracing other means at hand of further strengthening her economic position in the world."—Reuter.

then proposed the terms of reference given above, to which there was general assent.

Federal Structure.

The Conference in committee continued the examination of the heads of subjects as drawn up by Lord Sankey. Four of these heads, namely, the component elements of federation, the type of federal Legislature, and the number of Chambers, its constitution, its powers of federal legislature, and the construction, character, powers, and responsibilities of the federal executive, were referred to the federal structure sub-committee. The powers of provincial legislatures and the constitution, character, powers, and responsibilities of the provincial executives were referred to a second sub-committee. The third sub-committee was given the task of considering the provision to be made to secure the willing co-operation of minorities and special interests. Headings dealing with membership of the federal legislature and the method whereby representatives from British India and the India states are to be chosen were held over, since the action on these matters is in a measure dependent on the work done on questions before the federal structure sub-committee.

Questions relating to defence forces, to the Supreme Court and its jurisdiction, and the relations of the Federal and Provincial executives to the Crown were also left over until the sub-committee reported on their special subjects. The business committee meets to-morrow to appoint the personnel of the sub-committees. These will have a membership of not more than 20 each, but arrangements have been made whereby the view of any minority is assured of a hearing. The delegations will submit to the business committees the names they desire have on the sub-committees.

Situation in India.

In its weekly appreciation of the situation the Government of India recorded a continuance of improvement throughout the country. The Round Table Conference proceedings are continuing to attract great attention and the developments so far are generally regarded as hopeful. The presentation of India aspirations by the Indian delegation is much appreciated and in many quarters there is a recognition of the sympathetic trend of British opinion. The disposition to explore the various avenues of approach to the general problem is more in evidence, but there is a natural reluctance to increase even qualified approval of any particular scheme until details are fully worked out.

"Your daughter has a bad heart."—Your son has been away from home ever since he was old enough to go to school.

BRITISH PROTEST TO RUSSIA.

Unfounded Reflections on the Government.

REPLY AWAITED.

London, Yesterday. Mr. Arthur Henderson, questioned in the House of Commons about the anti-British allegations contained in the indictment of the conspiracy trial at Moscow on November 11, agreed that certain passages appeared to reflect adversely and unreasonably on the British Government. The British Ambassador in Moscow, accordingly, was instructed to inform the Soviet that in so far as they accepted the Public Prosecutor's comments on the accused's depositions he, (Mr. Henderson), took exception to the passages which contained adverse and unfounded reflections on the late and present Governments. (Cheers). The Government awaited the reply of the Ambassador.—Reuter.

RED TROOPS ACTIVE ON FRONTIER.

Military Activity Quells Peasant Risings.

VILLAGES SHELLED.

Berlin, Yesterday. Strong military activity on the part of Soviet troops is reported from the Latvian frontier. The whole district of Bigosov is reported to be swarming with Red troops. Rifle firing was uninterrupted and many soldiers have been wounded. Risings of peasants in West Russia are reported from Riga. Soviet artillery shelled and set fire to several villages near the frontier.—Reuter.

INSPECTOR SHOT.

KILLED WHILST WAITING AT STATION.

ASSASSINS ESCAPE.

Chandpur, Yesterday. Police Inspector Mukherjee was at the station awaiting the arrival of Capt. Craig, the Inspector-General of Police, Bengal, when two youths alighted from the train and fired a revolver, fatally wounding him. Capt. Craig immediately fired, but missed the assassins, who escaped.—Reuter.

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Amsterdam, Yesterday. A meeting of the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company to-day unanimously proposed modifications of the statutes. Sir Henri Deterding, the Managing Director, categorically contradicted rumours in regard to the non-payment or reduction of dividend, and said that the Company's position was most favourable. There was no ground whatever for anxiety on the part of bona fide shareholders.—Reuter.

CHINA INDEMNITY.

BRITAIN HOPES TO OBTAIN HER SHARE.

TOO BUSY NOW!

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons to-day, replying to Mr. George Oliver, Mr. Philip Snowden said that the Government hopes to be able to introduce a Bill in respect of the British share of the China Indemnity of 1901 as soon as State Lent.

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MEN STAND FIRM

NO SETTLEMENT OF COAL STRIKE.

"RED" INFLUENCE

OUTBURST BY MISS JENNY LEE, M.P.

London, Yesterday.

The Scottish Miners' executive has called a delegate conference at Glasgow for to-morrow to consider the executive's report of their meeting with the coal owners to-day, and to decide the next step. Meanwhile, the executive recommends the men to stand firm.

"Red" Influence.

The coal conciliation board at Glasgow adjourned this afternoon without reaching a settlement, and the Communists prevailed. Fifty per cent. of the colliers at Lewis Merthyr pits, Treahafod, did not work to-day. This is a sequel to the Communists storming the platform at a meeting last night after the meeting had decided to accept the recommendation of the Miners' Federation Conference. Communists are picketing the pits to-day.

Poor or Opera?

The Secretary for Mines, Mr. E. Shinwell, questioned in the

ENTERTAINMENT TAX.

The Government's Bill to impose duties in respect of admission to entertainments will be introduced in the Legislative Council on Thursday afternoon.

As the Bill is bound to be passed through all its stages, owing to the official majority, the new duties will become operative on New Year's Day.

House of Commons, said that practically all the pits in England and Wales were working to-day, whilst 18 per cent. of the miners in Scotland were working.

Miss Jenny Lee (Labour left-winger) asked what the Government were doing to relieve the hunger in the Scottish coalfields. Mr. Shinwell replied that it was not unlikely that the conciliation board in Scotland would reach a settlement to-day. Miss Lee demanded a more definite indication of the relief measures, "in view of the fact that we are subsidising opera."

The Speaker then intervened.

Miss Lee's reference to opera followed the previous questioning of the Government, to which Mr. Lees-Smith replied that grants totalling £30,000 yearly would be paid to the new Covent Garden Opera Syndicate, of which £25,000 would be provided by the British Broadcasting Corporation, and £5,000 by private subscription. There would be 200 performances yearly.—Reuter.

Earlier Cable.

London, Yesterday. Work ceased in the majority of the Scottish coal pits last night. Pickets are out in full force to-day, but according to Mr. James Doonan, the President of the National Union of Scottish Mine Workers, there is every prospect that a temporary settlement will follow to-day's meeting of the Coal Conciliation Board and the Scottish owners' and miners' representatives in Glasgow.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The first effects of the stoppage in Glasgow was an increase of three halfpence a hundredweight in domestic coal prices.—Reuter.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In all the English and Welsh coalfields work proceeded as usual to-day. In Scotland, there was a stoppage in most, though not all, of the districts.

It is generally anticipated that when the National Federation meets again on Thursday it will reverse Friday's decision and sanction a "stand-over" in the districts where the miners desire it. Mr. A. J. Cook said yesterday, "It is for each district to decide the position in relation to its own needs, namely, to protect wages and standards." British Wireless Service.

MORE BABIES BORN AT HOME.

Lowest Mortality Ever Recorded.

TOLL OF DEATH IN FRANCE

London, Yesterday. The fact that more babies, fewer deaths, and the lowest infantile mortality ever recorded are responsible for a 7,000 increase in the population in England and Wales, is a feature of the Registrar General's report for the three months ended on September 30. Deaths were 349 less and live births 1,991 more than during the same period of last year, while infantile mortality at 45 per 1,000 was 14 per 1,000 below the average for a decade.

Paris, Yesterday.

"France Threatened with Death," is a newspaper heading of an article giving the vital statistics for France, showing that for the first time since 1911 deaths exceeded births by 12,564, a fall in the natural population occurring practically in all provinces except Normandy, Brittany, and a few Northern departments, and Alsace Lorraine.—Reuter.

Decline of Exports to India.

London, Yesterday. Effect of the Boycott on British Goods.

Continuing in Bombay.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, replying to Commander Kenworthy, Mr. Wedgwood Benn said that the boycott of British goods was weakening throughout India generally, but was still effective in Bombay. He was circulating figures showing the falling of British exports to India, which showed during the September quarter a decline of 43.6 per cent. compared with 1929. The decline of exports to all places abroad was 25.8 per cent.—Reuter.

New Governor.

SIR GRAEME THOMSON FOR CEYLON.

HIS SECOND VISIT.

London, Yesterday. Sir Graeme Thomson, G.C.M.B., Governor and Commander of Nigeria since 1925, has been appointed Governor of Ceylon in succession to Sir Herbert Stanley, who succeeds the Earl of Athlone as High Commissioner of South Africa in April, 1931.—Reuter. (Sir Graeme Thomson is 55, and was educated at Winchester School and New College, Oxford. He entered the Admiralty in 1900, and was called to the Bar in 1902. In 1914 he was made Director of Transport, and from 1917-19 Director of Shipping. Following the Armistice he went to Ceylon as Colonial Secretary (1919-22) and administered the Government of Ceylon from March to September in 1920. He made another move in 1922, when he was appointed Governor of British Guiana, an appointment which he relinquished in 1925 to take up his present office in Nigeria.)

PEAK FOR PARDON

REFUSAL RECOMMENDED BY U.S. COURT.

IN JAIL 14 YEARS.

San Francisco, Yesterday. What is regarded in Labour circles in the United States as another Sacco-Vanzetti affair, is the case of Warren K. Billings, who was imprisoned in 1916 for sedition along with a man called Mooney. The case came up at the Supreme Court of California, which rejected Billings's appeal for a pardon. The Court, which investigated the circumstances of the conviction, recommended to the Governor by six votes to one that the appeal be refused.

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RIOTOUS SCENES IN WASHINGTON.

"Reds" Foregather at Congress Session.

RECORDED BY "TALKIES."

Washington, Yesterday.

On the occasion of the opening of the final session of Congress in order to pass the 1931 Appropriation Bills for the support of the Government, and to provide relief for the economic ills of the United States, a crowd of 600 Communists carrying placards bearing the slogan "Release all political prisoners" collected outside the Capitol. The Police tried to seize the placards, and the Communists resisted the Police, who charged the demonstrators with batons. Tear gas bombs were thrown, and fierce hand to hand fighting followed, in which a number of women Communists was roughly handled. Finally the Police were reinforced and dispersed the rowdies, making six arrests.

"Talkies" on the Spot.

For the first time in the opening of Congress "talkies" were taken of the proceedings and huge flood lights played on the scene. It was announced that Senator Davis, ex-Secretary of Labour, will not take his seat for Pennsylvania until his election expenditure of \$100,000 has been investigated by the Senatorial Committee.

The Democratic leader, Senator Robinson, introduced a Bill to grant loans of \$60,000,000 to enable farmers in drought stricken areas to buy seed and fodder. Reuter's American Service.

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1. That the Articles of Association of the Company be amended as follows:

(a) By the insertion immediately after Article 43 of the following new Article, namely:

43 (A) The Company may by ordinary resolution cancel any shares which at the date of the passing of such resolution have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

(b) By the insertion immediately after Article 102 of the following new Article, namely:

102a. The Company may at any time and from time to time, in general meeting by resolution authorise the General Managers to capitalise any profits of the Company not required for the time being for payment of dividend upon any preference shares of the Company or other shares issued upon any special conditions, whether standing to the credit of the Company's reserve fund or otherwise, and including profits arising from the appreciation in value of capital assets, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal amount, and the General Managers shall give effect to any such resolution accordingly, and any shares allotted pursuant to any such resolution shall be distributed among the members holding shares of the Company so far as practicable in proportion to the number of shares held by them respectively, and shall be credited as fully paid by means of the profits so capitalised and the General Managers may make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by the payment of cash or by sale and distribution of the proceeds or otherwise as they may think expedient for the case of fractions. The General Managers may appoint any person on behalf of the members to enter into any agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them of such shares credited as fully paid up, and if satisfaction as aforesaid and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

102b. The General Managers may, with the sanction of the Company in General Meeting, declare a dividend to be paid to the members according to their rights and interests in the profits, and may fix the time for payment and may with the like sanction declare and pay dividend or bonus out of any reserve fund and fix the time for payment thereof and may with the like sanction declare and pay bonuses to the Company's employees or any of them.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same time and place on TUESDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1930, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on TUESDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1930, at 11.05 o'clock in the Forenoon or as soon thereafter as the above meeting shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:

1. That the Company do hereby cancel all shares (namely, 22277 shares numbered 27224 to 50000), which at the date hereof have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and do hereby authorise the General Managers to pay to the members holding the 27723 existing shares of the Company as on the 1st day of January, 1931, a sum equal to \$6.00 for every five shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively, the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

2. That the Capital of the Company be increased from its diminished capital of \$194,081.00 Hong Kong Currency divided into 27,723 shares of \$5.00 each to \$500,010 Hong

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British & Dutch Vessels Predominate.

In spite of the economic depression which prevailed in British Malaya during the past two years, the tonnage of shipping at the port of Singapore continued to grow, and reached a new high record in 1929, states the U.S. Vice-Consul at Singapore, in Commerce Reports, says the Journal of Commerce in mail week at the opening of the extensions to the Marconi works at Chelmsford, Mr. F. G. Kelleway, managing director of the company, said the British Empire had done the pioneer work in the methods of communication, whether by telegraph, telephone, aircraft or shipping, and had built up systems of incomparable strength and mobility.

The geographic position of the port, he says, gives it a great natural advantage over the ports of neighbouring countries. During the past 20 years it has lost a considerable amount of its transhipment trade in native products (spices, etc.), but this loss has been completely overshadowed by its increased transhipment trade in rubber, tin, and manufactured goods, in addition to its increased direct export trade in rubber and tin. All indications point to the continued growth of shipping at the port of Singapore.

The entrances of shipping of all classes at Singapore in 1929 totalled 64,266 vessels of 33,553,803 tons, an increase of 2,329 vessels and 1,860,749 tons over the figures of 1928. The entrances of merchant vessels (all steamers above 50 net registered tons) at Singapore in 1929 totalled 19,535 vessels of 31,162,079 tons, an increase of 126 vessels and 1,772,266 tons over the figures for 1928. The nations ranking from first to seventh were:—Great Britain, with 12,552,012 tons; Netherlands, 7,054,726 tons; Japan, 4,118,176 tons; France, 1,874,925 tons; Germany, 1,699,029 tons; Norway, 1,268,120 tons; and the United States, 678,520 tons. All these nations increased the tonnage of their merchant vessels at Singapore in 1929 as compared with 1928.

The share of the Netherlands in the total increase amounted to 35 per cent. Japan's shipping at this port was considerably enlarged, probably as a result of the lifting of the anti-Japanese boycott by the Chinese portion of Singapore's population. The increase in American tonnage is gratifying as compared with that of the previous year, amounting to 5 per cent. of the total increase. France, while maintaining fourth place in the list of nations with greatest tonnage entered and cleared in 1929, suffered a large decrease as compared with 1928.

NAVY BUILDING.

REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME PROSPECTS.

In one other respect besides tramp shipping our shipyards should find a little more work available next year than this, says the Journal of Commerce.

The 1930 programme of the Admiralty, as revealed in the Supplementary Naval Estimates, visualizes a certain very necessary expansion in replacement orders. This programme provides for three cruisers, a flotilla of destroyers, three submarines, four sloops, and one net-layer.

How much of this work will be allotted to private firms, and how much to the dockyards, is, of course, still in doubt, but the work to be done under these estimates is great than that under the 1929 estimates, and after the lesson of Dalmuir, the Government will be blind indeed if it does not make the allowance to private firms as full as the circumstances permit.

GOLF AT SEA.

CRAZE SPREADS TO TRANS-ATLANTIC LINERS.

The lead given by the Royal Mail liner *Atlantis* in installing a nidget golf course for the entertainment of passengers has awakened wide interest among those companies who know that one of the first things the modern sea traveller wants is diversion and sport.

This is doubly so on board the cruising liner, as is the *Atlantis*.

Commander W. S. Nelson, D.S.C. has hit upon the idea of manufacturing a special midget "course" for use on board liners. It is known as Lilliput Marine Golf, and is made to stand stormy life at sea.

It may be set up in the ballroom (indoor) and can quickly be stored away. This ingenious miniture golf costs \$170 per set of 18 holes, and is likely that one will be installed in the top of *Lloyd's* building.

P. AND O. LOSSES.

"OUTLOOK ANYTHING BUT SATISFACTORY."

SIX NEW LINERS.

London, Yesterday. The Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company's report for the year ended September 30, including \$120,000 brought forward from last year, shows a credit balance of \$366,000, compared with \$343,000 for last year. \$115 is carried forward.

Six steamers, aggregating 84,000 tons, are being constructed, namely, the 21,000-ton liners *Strathnaver* and *Strathaird*, for the Australian service; the 14,500-ton liners *Canton* and *Chefoo* for the London, Bombay, and China line; and the 6,500-ton cargo boats *Soudan* and *Somali* for the London to China line. All these vessels are oil fuel burners.

The report adds that the outlook is anything but satisfactory.

Sir Robert Horne and Lord Cromer have been nominated as Directors.—Reuter.

BRITISH SHIPPING SUPREMACY.

Mr. Kelleway & U.S.A.'s Challenge.

Speaking in mail week at the opening of the extensions to the Marconi works at Chelmsford, Mr. F. G. Kelleway, managing director of the company, said the British Empire had done the pioneer work in the methods of communication, whether by telegraph, telephone, aircraft or shipping, and had built up systems of incomparable strength and mobility.

In their own field of long distance telegraphy and telephony, the British Empire, from the time of Marconi's invention, had led the world, while shipping enterprise and an instinctive sea sense had enabled the shipping owners to build up a position which no other country could equal.

"There is nothing finer in British industry than the way the British shipping owners, in good times as well as bad—they are now passing through a very bad time—have maintained the supremacy of British industry," he said. "Both in our own country and in that of the British shipping owner our position can only be maintained by ceaseless activity, use of the most modern methods, and efficient and aggressive managements in every department of our industry. There has never been a time when these factors were more essential than they are to-day.

"There has recently been published in America a remarkable book by a leading American publicist, Mr. Ludwell Denny. The book is called 'America Conquers Britain.' It has not attracted that amount of public attention in this country which its character and importance deserve. It ought to be in the hands of every public man and every leader of labour.

"Of that branch of communication with which we are concerned, Mr. Denny says the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation of New York has probably done more in nine years to break the British wireless communication monopoly than all the other companies' activities combined in the last half-century of electrical progress, but," continued Mr. Kelleway, "so long as the facts are known and we receive from the British Government the same measure of support in our international business as the I.T.T. receive from the American Government, we have no reason to fear this competition.

"Mr. Denny also refers to British shipping, in his remarkable book, and says America has determined to challenge British supremacy, and for strategic and commercial reasons to put a larger American merchant marine on the seas at all cost. It is just as well that Mr. Denny has been good enough to warn us of the efforts that American capital is making to establish a dominating position throughout the world in all forms of communication, but I repeat that in the fields in which we are engaged we have no fear of this competition."

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, November 30. Clara Jebson, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. J. Davidsen, from Macao, buoy No. B23.—Jebson & Co.

King Yuan, British str., 1,656 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Amoy, buoy No. B16.—B. & S. Muncaster Castle, British str., 3,625 tons, Capt. F. M. Lee, from Manila, Lai Chi Kok.—Doddell & Co.

Shun Lee, Chinese str., 949 tons, Capt. B. Miyako, from Dairen, buoy No. B17.—Yee Tai Hong.

Tjisalak, Dutch str., 3,613 tons, Capt. P. Meerman, from Amoy, buoy No. A8.—J.C.J.L.

Monday, December 1. An Lee, Chinese str., 992 tons, Capt. S. Kita, from Dairen, buoy No. C22.—Yee Tai Hong.

Anhui, British str., 2,080 tons, Capt. R. Turnbull, from Singapore, buoy No. A9.—B. & S. Benlawers, British str., 6,000 tons, Capt. A. Webster, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Gibb Livingston & Co.

Cheong Shing, British str., 1,256 tons, Capt. D. G. Burlagh, from Canton, buoy No. B36.—J. M. & Co.

Caucasier, Belgian str., 3,613 tons, Capt. M. Lambe, from Antwerp, buoy No. A24.—Bank Line.

Hirundo, Norwegian str., 1,125 tons, Captain J. A. Pedersen, from Swatow, buoy No. A23.—Thoresen & Co.

Kamo Maru, Japanese str., 7,955 tons, Capt. S. Shiratori, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Mao Lee, Chinese str., 1,209 tons, Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Canton, Yaumati.—Yee Tai Hong.

Muroran Maru, Japanese str., 3,261 tons, Capt. M. Sumi, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons, Capt. A. Cook, from Canton, buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Tacoma Maru, Japanese str., 5,856 tons, Capt. H. Kanegae, from Sakito, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Takkyu Maru, Japanese str., 1,305 tons, Capt. H. Fuji, from Samarinda, buoy No. C49.—Wada Jimusho.

Talyatu Maru, Japanese str., 2,889 tons, Capt. S. Matsuo, from Calcutta, buoy No. A26.—Y.K.K.

Tjikandi, Dutch str., 4,053 tons, Capt. J. A. v/d Kolk, from Semarang, buoy No. A10.—J.C.J.L.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Vancouver on November 29 (Sat.), at 4 p.m., leaves Vancouver on December 6 (Sat.), and is due at Hong Kong on December 29 (Mon.). She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on December 30 (Tues.), at 5 p.m.

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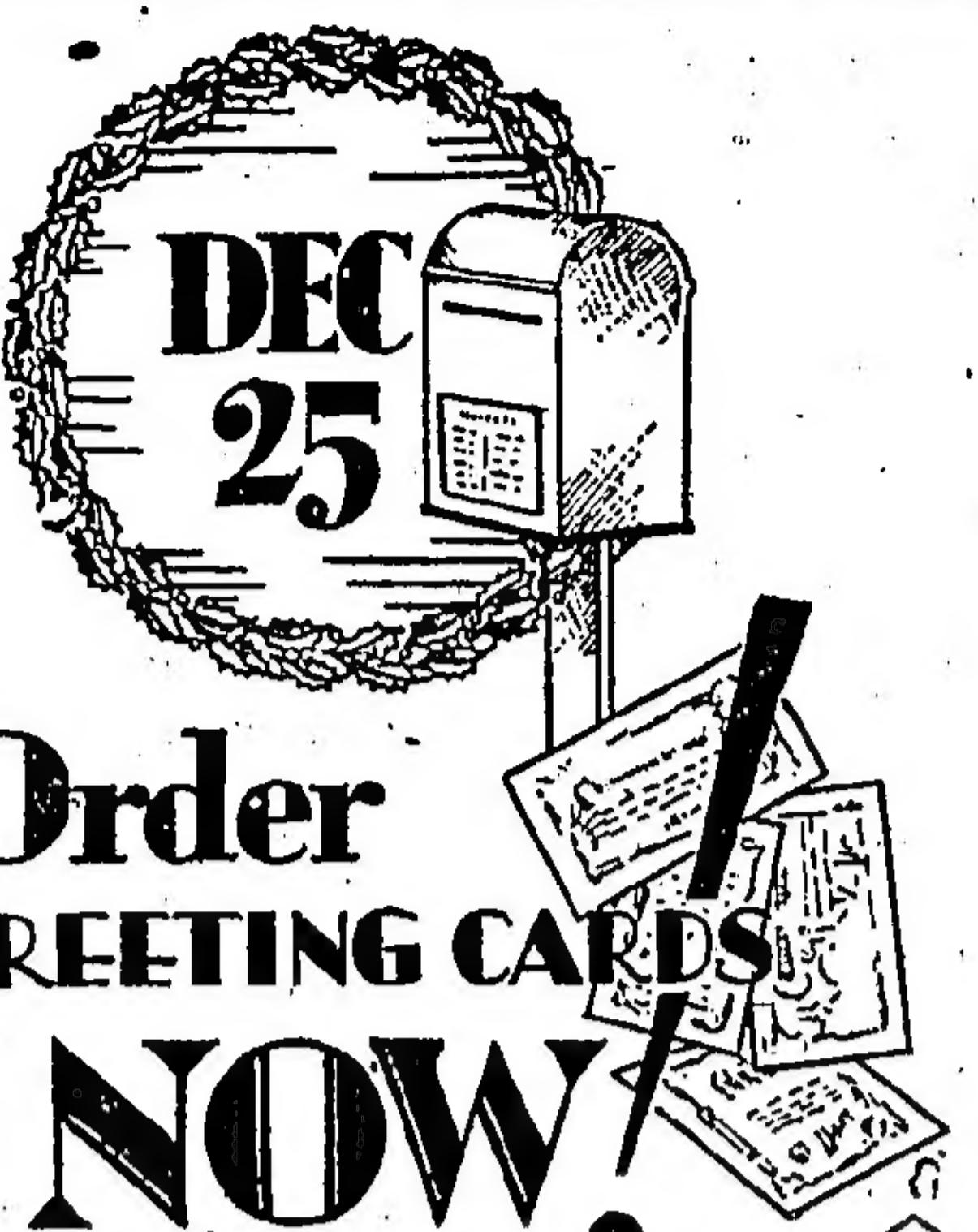
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ANTI-PIRACY RULES.

It is only natural that exception should be taken by mercantile marine officers to the new anti-piracy regulation, published in the Government Gazette of Friday's date and published in the *China Mail* on Saturday. This regulation lays down that “the master or other person in charge of a ship shall take effective measures to cause, and he shall cause the movements of his ship to be in accordance with these regulations, and he shall take effective measures to prevent, and he shall prevent the coming on board or embarkation of any person and the bringing on board of anything contrary to or not in accordance with these regulations.” It cannot be doubted that this regulation is the outcome of the piratical attack on the S.S. *Helikon* in July when “history was made” most unfortunately, by the desperadoes boarding the vessel in Hong Kong as passengers—the first time in the annals of piracy in the China Sea. A veil of secrecy has ever since enshrouded that untoward incident. Not a word of explanation has since been forthcoming to the public; not a syllable in mitigation or extenuation of the circumstances that permitted such an occurrence; not a hint of any official inquiry or the result thereof. The Police authorities, who have hitherto been responsible for searches of ships prior to departure, have done nothing but, apparently, hide their faces out of sheer shame and discomfiture that they should have, even temporarily, lost their guard

In the interminable discussions on the suppression of piracy it has ever been general agreement that the system of searches at ports should be made much more rigid. This should and ought to be possible in Hong Kong and Singapore; but its attainment will be entirely out of the question if the onus of search is to be transferred from the Police to the mercantile marine. The Police are here to do Police work; they are paid for doing Police work; and it is utterly fantastic for them to endeavour to quit themselves of all responsibility by saddling the mercantile marine with their work. If it is seriously intended that “the master or other person in charge of a ship shall prevent the coming on board or embarkation of any person and the bringing on board of anything contrary to the regulation,” we shall have the spectacle of ships lying up in harbour for weeks if not months to give the master or person in charge ample scope to fulfil the onus thrown on to him

News in Brief.

Clothing and jewellery valued at \$60 were reported stolen this morning from No. 32, Laichikuk Road, Kowloon, first floor.

Brass bushes valued at \$40 were reported stolen this morning from a matchshed used as a tool-shed by the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

Yesterday's sale of roses on the occasion of “Our Poor Day,” organised by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, realised \$4,400.73. The record of \$4,600 was established in 1928.

A Chinese was removed to hospital this morning suffering from facial injuries, after having been knocked down by a vehicle belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. His condition is not serious.

Chan Ki, an unemployed Chinese, was sentenced to three months hard labour at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for stealing a jersey and a pair of trousers, the property of Wong Yuet Po of 575, Shanghai Street.

Apparently unable to cross the railway in time, a Chinese woman, named Choi Wee-chuk (64), was yesterday knocked down and killed by a train at the 18 milestone, near Fanling. The train was coming from Shumchun to Kowloon.

Fung Kau, a Chinese from Shumchun appeared at Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with stealing a clock and two hammers, the property of two workmen employed by the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. Sentence of three months hard labour was passed.

The theft of a Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank \$50 note was reported to the Police this morning. The victim was Mr. M. M. Wakeshott who resides at the Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon. He states that it was removed from the inside pocket of his jacket between 7.30 and 8 a.m. to-day.

The attention of the public is drawn to the opening of a new store, to be known as the Capital Silk Store, which will be situated at 1C, D'Aguilar Street. The store, which will carry a complete line of silks, is to be opened on December 6. Inspection by the Police authorities is cordially invited.

A delightful programme was rendered by the pupils of Mr. Harry Ore, and the Hong Kong Trio (Messrs H. Ore, F. Gonzales, and L. Szente) in the Cathedral Hall last night. All the numbers were well received by a large and appreciative audience, and the artistes are to be congratulated on their excellent efforts.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., will lecture on “The Roots of Civilization in Poetry” in the Cathedral Hall to-day, at 5.30 p.m. This lecture is held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Branch of the English Association. Printed booklets of last year's lectures are now ready and copies will be distributed free of charge to members.

Messrs Caldeck, Macgregor & Co., Limited, as agents for Boileau's champagne send the *China Mail* a neat pocket diary for 1931. In addition to the usual calendar, personal and general memoranda pages and telegraphic and private address pages, it gives a great deal of information regarding sports records that ought to be found most useful. The diary is gilt edged and prettily bound, with a pencil attached.

CORRESPONDENCE THAT EXCHANGE GAME!

(To the Editor of “China Mail.”)

Sir,—The latest stunt in the exchange game as played by the Chinese money changers is one which is difficult of understanding.

On Sunday I visited a money changer's in town and tendering a \$5 bill asked for \$2 small change. The man behind the counter asked me if I wanted the other \$3 in \$1 notes or in silver dollars. I asked for \$1 notes and was charged three cents as commission.

Yesterday I visited the same money changer's and again “split” a \$5 bill. This time, to test the man behind the counter, I asked for \$2 small change and \$3 in silver dollars. I got my change and was not charged any commission.

Can any big financial mind among your readers figure this out? It's more interesting than a crossword puzzle.

Yours, etc.,

WHAT THING.

Hong Kong, December 2.

“Why don't you buy a bicycle?” said his neighbour. “You would find it useful in going back and forth to your work.” “What?” said Pat. “I'd as soon walk about as ride about.”

A reception was subsequently held at 58 Nathan Road, after which the happy couple left for their honeymoon, which is being spent at the B. and S. Bungalow at Fanling.

FLAT BURGLED.

GOODS TO BE RETURNED FROM PAWNBROKER.

NO COMPENSATION.

Having done three months' for larceny in 1927, nine months' for larceny in 1928, six months' for unlawful receiving in 1929, and three months' for felonious intent last year, Liu Shiu-man, unemployed, was to-day charged before Mr. E. H. Williams at the Central Second Court with the larceny of 28 pieces of silk clothing, two vases, one hand-bag, to the total value of \$280.80, the property of Tang Sang and his wife, who reside at 44, High Street.

Defendant, who pleaded guilty, stated “I and another man went to commit the felony.” His Worship said that that was no excuse whatever.

Flat Door Open.

Asked for the facts, Detective-Sergeant Flattery said that on the morning of November 30, two detectives were on duty in Hollywood Road, when they noticed the defendant carrying a pair of silver vases, and some clothing under his arm. They accosted him, and after questioning, defendant took them to several pawnshops, where some of the clothing was retrieved. Complainant and his wife, Sergeant Flattery said, only went into residence at 44 High Street the day before the burglary.

In reply to the Magistrate, Sergeant Flattery said that the door of the flat was open, and it was possible that the defendant made his entry through some fanlights, which were also opened. The theft occurred at four o'clock in the morning.

Defendant had number of keys in his possession, and one of them fitted every drawer in the complainant's house, but, of course, that may have only been a coincidence.

“He is supposed to have left school four years ago,” added Sergeant Flattery, “and started on this career.”

Calling the pawnbroker forward, Mr. Williams said that he would make an order for him to return the pieces that the defendant had pawned to the complainant without compensation.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed, and his Worship ordered defendant to be placed under Police supervision for a period of two years.

TRAFFIC OFFENCE.

CHINESE FINED FOR DANGEROUS DRIVING.

SIGNAL IGNORED.

A Chinese youth named Kwok Hal-man was to-day summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at “traffic time,” for driving his motor car in a dangerous manner on the Main Road, Aberdeen, at 11.05 p.m., on Saturday.

Acting Sub-Inspector Cunningham, officer in charge of Aberdeen Police Station, told the Magistrate that the offence was committed on the stretch of the water front between the paper mills and the Police Station. He was walking along the road at the time and as the defendant came past him he estimated that the speed of the car was 35 miles per hour. He (the officer) shouted to defendant to stop and also blew his whistle, but defendant carried on.

Magistrate: The road was not busy at that time of the night?—There were one or two sampan people crossing the road to get water at the time.

The defendant admitted that he was travelling fast, but not so fast as the Police officer estimated.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$15.

WEDDING.

CEREMONY IN UNION CHURCH KOWLOON.

The wedding was solemnised in the Union Church, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon of Flight-Lieutenant Stanley David Dennis, R.A.F. elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis of Thorpe Bay, Essex, and Mrs. Vera Margaret Bond, eldest daughter of Mrs. Harry Woods of Hong Kong.

The Rev. J. Horace Johnston, B.A., officiated. The bride was prettily attired in horizon blue crepe de Chine, and looked most attractive with a smart hat to match. She carried a bouquet of gold chrysanthemums tied with the R.A.F. colours, and was given away by Mr. E. R. Child, Mrs. Child was Matron of Honour. Commander J. H. P. Southby discharged the duties of best man.

A reception was subsequently held at 58 Nathan Road, after which the happy couple left for their honeymoon, which is being spent at the B. and S. Bungalow at Fanling.

Ten Years Ago.

(From the “China Mail” of December 2, 1920.)

To-day's dollar is worth 8/4d.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, is thinking about the formation of a Troop of Girl Guides, and hopes to call a meeting during the month to consider the question. A lady of considerable experience has kindly volunteered her assistance.

SHOOTING AFFAIR IN TIENSIN.

Host Tries to Kill Guest on Leaving House.

STRANGE OCCURRENCE.

An unusual shooting affair occurred in Ching Mei Li near the Bristol Road bridge, British Concession, Tientsin, on the evening of November 12.

A Chinese went to visit a friend living in Cardiff Road and after staying there an hour or two he left the house shortly before seven o'clock going away through Ching Mei Li. As he neared the entrance of Ching Mei Li on Bristol Road three pistol shots rang out in quick succession and three bullets struck him in the head. Notwithstanding his wounds, he looked round and saw that it was his friend who had followed him from his house and was firing at him.

Attracted by the sound of the firing, the B.M.C. Police came quickly upon the scene and effected the arrest of the would-be murderer.

The wounded man lost a great deal of blood but otherwise his condition is not at all serious. Strangely enough, all three bullet wounds are only flesh wounds, the skull itself not having been penetrated.

The motive for the crime is still unknown but it appears that there was some sort of quarrel between the two men, both of whom are ex-soldiers, and that the householder on the spur of the moment made up his mind to follow his friend and try to kill him after he had left the house.

P. & T. Times.

DRUG SMUGGLING ON PACIFIC.

Plan to Make Officers Customs Agents.

U.S. ATTITUDE.

Washington, Nov. 11. It was learned to-day that the U. S. Bureau of Customs is considering a plan for making officers on the principal passenger ships plying to the Orient “dollar a year men” fully sworn as customs officers and empowered to search staterooms of passengers for smuggled narcotics.

If such a plan were adopted, it was understood, the scheme would strictly limit the activities of the officers to narcotics, although in the event that liquor or jewellery were found the agents might feel compelled to report them as undeclared merchandise.

The plan will soon be submitted to Mr. Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, and to Mr. William D. Mitchell, Attorney-General.

It was stated that the scheme is particularly aimed at crews of such vessels rather than passengers.

Since the scheme could be put into effect only upon American vessels, some oppose it on the ground that it would drive passengers to patronise ships of other nations as well as arousing a storm of protests on principle.—United Press.

FLOWER POT THEFTS

SAID TO BE PREVALENT ON THE PEAK.

CHINESE CHARGED.

The prevalence of thefts of flower pots from houses on the Mid-levels and Upper-levels, has been checked by the arrest of an unemployed

ASSESSMENT RATES

IN COLONY.

PERCENTAGES ON VALUATION
ALTERED.

REVISED SCALE.

The Colonial Secretary will move the following resolution in the Legislative Council on Thursday:

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentages on the valuation of every tenement enumerated in the list of tenements assessed, payable as rates, shall be altered, and that on and from the date to be fixed by His Excellency the Governor for the coming into effect of this resolution the following percentages shall be payable as rates, namely for any tenement—

(a) in the City of Victoria 17%
(b) in that portion of the Hill District bounded on the north, south, and west by the 700-foot contour, and on the east by a line drawn north and south passing through the Wanchai Gap; and in such other portion of the Hill District as may, by order of the Governor, be notified in the Gazette 17%
(c) in the remaining portion of the Hill District and in Quarry Bay 12 1/2%
(d) in Tai Hang and San Tsun 17%
(e) (i) in Tung Lo Wan, Whitchfield and Shaukiwan Road as far as Inland Lot No. 1620 16 1/4%
(ii) in the remaining portion of Shaukiwan Road (North Point) 14 1/4%
(iii) in Shaukiwan East and West 16 1/4%
(iv) Shaukiwan Marine Lots Nos. 1 to 10, both inclusive, and Shaukiwan Inland Lot No. 408 14 1/4%



"The woman I marry must be truthful, for a start."
"I see—you want to do all the lying?"—*Bulletin*, Sydney.

(v) in Tsing Shiu Ma Tau, Po Kau Wat and San Wan Ho 18 1/4%
(f) (i) in Broadwood Road (with the exception of Inland Lots Nos. 1911, 1946, 2039 and 2060) 16 1/4%
(ii) Inland Lot Nos. 1911, 1946 and 2060 14 1/4%
(iii) Inland Lot No. 2039 17%
(g) (i) in Wong Nei Chung (with the exception of the new Government built village) and Wong Nei Chung Road 17%
(ii) in Wong Nei Chung New Village 13%
(h) in Aberdeen 10%
(i) in Apichau 14 1/2%
(j) in Stanley 12 1/4%
(k) (i) in Kowloon Point, Yau Ma Tei, Mongkok, Prince Edward Road, the south side of Boundary Street and Fuk Tsui Heung (with the exception of Kowloon Marine Lots Nos. 26, 28 and 33) 17%
(ii) Kowloon Marine Lots Nos. 26, 28 and 33 10 1/4%
(iii) in the area bounded by the extension of Argyle Street on the north, by the extension of Waterloo Road on the south-east and by the Kowloon Canton Railway on or towards the west 17%
(iv) in Hung Hom, Hung Hom West, Kok Yip, and Kowloon City Road from the Hung Hom Police Station to the north as far as and including Kowloon, in

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IN RED HANDS.

MONGOL SOLDIERS PROTECT
LADY MISSIONARIES.

FIGHT AGAINST 500.

Peking, Yesterday. The Swedish missionary, the Rev. Mr. Oberg, who sent the first news regarding the capture of Messrs. Hayward and Gomersall, wired from Paotouchen yesterday stating that the ladies, so far as could be ascertained at present were not exactly in the hands of bandits. Eight Mongol soldiers are protecting them but 500 bandits are surrounding the party.

Fighting between the force of troops and the bandits occurred on Saturday in which 40 soldiers were killed. In spite of the chaotic conditions Mr. Oberg is attempting to get through to the ladies.

The Rev. Findlay Andrew and his party are due at Paotouchen to-night.—Reuter.

[A message dated November 30 stated that a small rescue party was starting off at noon in an attempt to rescue Messrs. Hayward and Gomersall, who had been captured by bandits. The rescue party consisted of the Rev. Findlay Andrew, of the China Inland Mission, who is missionary of long experience in north-west China, Captain Stables (British), and Lieutenant Kanaga (American).]

Hankow, Yesterday. Fathers P. Laffan and J. Lineham have been released and are now on board a British gunboat on the Upper Yangtze.—Reuter.

[Fathers Laffan and Lineham, the former of Limerick and the latter of Cork, are both members of the St. Columban's Mission. They were captured by bandits on April 28 last at Hanyang, Hubei province, and have thus been in bandit hands for over seven months.]

ASSOUAN DAM.

TO BE COMPLETED BY BRITISH FIRM.

Cairo, Yesterday. The Cabinet has decided to award the contract for completion of the Assouan Dam to the British firm of Topham, Jones and Railton.—Reuter.

[It will be recalled that a Cairo message of September 27 reported that Sir John Norton Griffiths, the eminent engineer, was found dead in his hotel at Alexandria that morning, apparently having committed suicide. His Company had recently stopped the work of heightening the Assouan Dam, owing to alleged incompetent interference with the resident engineer's staff by the Egyptian Government. When the Griffiths firm stopped work on the dam, the Egyptian Government issued a communiqué stating that Sir John had written to the Government asking for financial assistance.]

RUBBER CRISIS.

SUGGESTION BY A PERAK PLANTER.

London, Yesterday. Calling attention to the fact that 25,000 coolies left the rubber estates in Malaya for India in a single month, owing to reduction in wages and an increase in the hours of labour, in a letter in the *Financial Times* Mr. Maurice Mauds (formerly of Cicely Estate, Teluk Anson) as an "Anxious Rubber-Shareholder" foresees a labour difficulty when the price of rubber goes up again.

He suggests that the wholesale exodus can be remedied by stopping work on Sundays and thus the planters could afford to give the coolies a decent living wage owing to the reduced output and the increased price of rubber.—Reuter.

"MOTHER" JONES DEAD.

Washington, Yesterday. The death has occurred of "Mother" Mary Jones, the veteran militant crusader for workers' rights, at the age of a hundred.—Reuter's American Service.

land Lot No. 1160 and Kowloon Marine Lot No. 67. 17%
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(d) in the other places 11%

CHINA & RUSSIA.

CONFERENCE ON EASTERN RAILWAY.

OPENS ON THURSDAY.

Moscow, Yesterday. M. Karakhan notified Mo Teh-hui yesterday that he proposes that the Sino-Soviet Conference regarding the Chinese Eastern Railway shall start on the 4th instant.

Nanking, Yesterday. The Foreign Office officially states that General Mo Teh-hui has wired from Moscow that Karakhan, replying to Mo Teh-hui's latest note, expresses satisfaction with it and agrees to a final conference opening in Moscow on December 4.—Reuter.

[A Nanking message of November 29 stated: Replying to Karakhan's note in regard to the Chinese Eastern Railway controversy, General Mo Teh-hui states "a careful perusal reveals that what you have said therein is due to a misunderstanding, and in most cases it is also irrelevant. This is especially true with your statements concerning the C.E.R., regarding which the Chinese Government have already made declarations of the most explicit nature. Your misapprehension in this connection, therefore, is quite inexplicable to me. However, the important point at the present time is the continuation of our conference. If you are agreeable, I am prepared to resume the sessions with you immediately."]

MRS. MILLER SAFE.

BRITISH AIRWOMAN LANDS ON LONELY ISLAND.

FORCED DOWN IN GALE.

Nassau (Bahamas), Yesterday. It is learned that Mrs. Keith Miller, the first woman to fly from Britain to Australia, is safe in these islands. Apparently she had a forced landing on Friday during a gale on the small and lonely island of Andros, in the Bahamas group.—Reuter.

[An earlier report stated it was feared that Mrs. Miller had been drowned in the Gulf of Florida. She started to fly from Havana to Miami on Friday morning without wireless or instruments, for "blind" flying. Four aeroplanes went out in search of her.]

Mrs. Miller Beaten.

Burbank, Yesterday. Representing the California Society of Women, Miss Ruth Nicholson, of Rye, New York, has beaten by eight hours 44 minutes the women's trans-Continental flight record, hitherto held by Mrs. Keith Miller. Miss Nichols landed here from New York after a flight of 16 hours 59 minutes.—Reuter's American Service.

MONEY LEFT.

ESTATE OF COL. A. H. TUBBY.

CHINESE PRESUMED DEAD.

London, Yesterday. Several charitable bequests are contained in the will of the late Colonel Alfred Herbert Tubby, C.B., C.M.G., M.S., F.I.C.S., late of The Albany Hotel, Hastings, Sussex, who died at Red Gables, Bletchingley, Surrey, on February 23, this year. Net personalty amounts to £97,812 7s. 8d., while Hong Kong estate is valued at \$11,400.

Re-sealing of certified copy of probate of the will has been granted to Mr. D. V. Steavenson, of Messrs. Deacons, who is attorney for the two executors, Mr. J. L. Payne, O.B.E., No. 18, Portland Place, London, and Sir John James Withers, C.B.E., M.P. No. 4, Arundel Street, Strand, London.

In the estate of Kwan Hau-yat, alias Kwan Ka-ye, alias Kwan Yim-tso, who disappeared on January 5, 1923, and who formerly lived at No. 491, Shanghai Street, Mongkok, and was an employee of the Kwong Sang Wo, letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Chan Ng-hi, of Canton, temporary living at No. 81, Wellington Street. She has been given leave to presume death.

Chan Yuen, alias Chan Tsin-pang, who died intestate at No. 1, Pat Kan Back Street, Sal Shan Miu, Tai Yat Chun, Canton, on or about June 25, 1923, left Hong Kong estate worth \$6,000. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Chan Ng-hi, of Canton, who is temporarily living at No. 109, Caine Road.

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Thursday—International Song Recital, Helen May Institute, 6.30 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Chasing Rainbows."

To-day—Central Theatre, "With Byrd at the South Pole."

To-day—World Theatre, "The Little French Girl."

To-day—Star Theatre, "The Garden of Eden" and Mme. Dauphin-Desmonde, magician.

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Seven Day's Leave."

December 4—Kowloon Y.M.C.A.'s Amateur Dramatic Society presents "The Monkey's Paw" at the Y.M.C.A.

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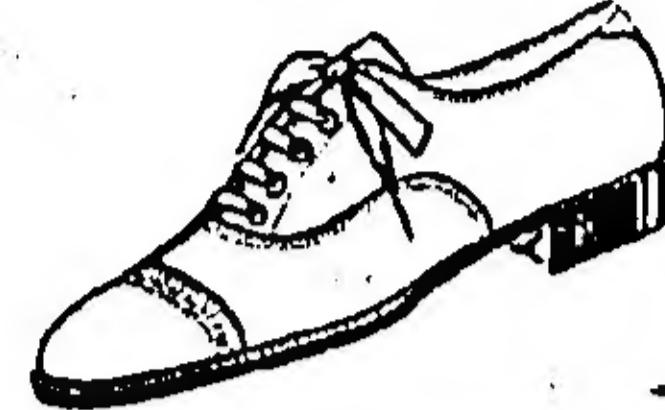
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Sport Columns

IS DISTRIBUTION LEGAL?

Unsolicited "Sweep" Tickets.

NOT ATTRACTIVE GAMBLING.

[By Theophilus.]

Truth, in a recent issue, has devoted two paragraphs to the Leichtenstein Sweepstakes, relating to sweepstakes on English races which are conducted by "Mutual Distributions (Overseas), Incorporating R. J. Duggan, Ltd. etc. After describing Duggan's activities in Ireland, and his transfer of "secured for his enterprise the August patronage of the Government of that Principality," Truth goes on to say:—"In India and Burma tickets are touted by local agents, and there is nothing in the printed matter which they issue to show who are the persons now responsible for the business in Leichtenstein. It is, however, fairly clear that the methods adopted for the sale of tickets must heavily diminish the value of the chance in the lottery for which cash is paid. There are not only agents whose remuneration is undisclosed, but swarms of subagents—and tickets are offered on reduced terms to anyone taking three or more.

Natives Allowed.

"Taking one consideration with another, I should not myself regard these sweeps on the Derby, the St. Leger, the Manchester November Handicap, and the Grand National as attractive gambles, and though Europeans should be able to look after themselves, it is a pity that the authorities in India and Burma allow the traffic in the tickets among the native population."

I think perhaps Truth has a too high respect for the European's capacity for looking after himself. My own mind is completely innocent of the possibilities of any pitfalls regarding the Kulti Club, whose "Manager" has just issued with a book of tickets on the Viceroy's Cup Sweep. The gift, of course, was unsolicited, and is marked "Private and Confidential," and on the back of each ticket is a printed notice to the effect that—"No ticket will be issued except to members, with whom alone the Club will correspond." I hasten to add, that as far as I know (and I know nothing at all about such things), the Kulti Club's sweepstakes is absolutely irreproachable and above board. At the same time, when I am asked, in my capacity as Secretary to a station club to distribute these tickets (presumably to members of my club) it would seem that I have a right to make enquiries, and I should be grateful if any one could confirm my already preconceived confidence in the Kulti Club. Also, is there anything to prevent me from embarking on similar speculations myself?

Penalties Involved.

I ask, because as recently as October last, I was nearly scared out of my Secretarial wits by a Government Judicial Department Circular, calling my attention to Section 294A of the Indian Penal Code, and to the dire consequences of (A) keeping an office or place for the purpose of drawing a lottery not authorised by Government, and (B) publishing of a proposal to give any consideration contingent on the drawing of any ticket in a lottery, not authorised, etc. After stating that no lottery is, or will be authorised, the circular ends up with the remark that—"All club sweepstakes and lotteries which are not confined to members of the club, including visitors enjoying the use of the club as honorary members, are thus definitely prohibited"—and that the law will set in motion those dire prosecutions which, as noted, scared me out of my Secretarial wits.

What would happen to me if I circulated Kulti Club tickets to members? There is something in the circular about "abetting any such lottery or sweepstakes." My enquiry is of a strictly academic nature since the only use to which I put lottery tickets is for shaving paper, which I presume is not illegal, though I admit that in these hard times, a free supply of shaving paper might be regarded as the Secretary's perks, and therefore a consideration. However, the tickets are neatly perforated, and the temptation to use them so, whether legal or not, is irresistible.—*Rangoon Times*.

With the money paid out in School and Junior football, had been devoted to unearthing and punishing the school managers and the school managers' friends in the schools. Neil M. Scott

INTERPORT SHOOTING CONTEST.

Hong Kong Secure Last Place.

SHANGHAI WIN.

Singapore, Nov. 24.

Weather conditions of a most trying description prevailed yesterday morning when Singapore fired off in the annual Inter-port shooting competition at the Farrier Range, writes the Singapore Free Press.

It was an extremely hot morning, which caused a mirage, while varying light, due to clouds and the fresh breeze did not add to Singapore's chances. The shooting, when compared with the results of the shoots, was not at all encouraging. The full scores were: Shanghai 937; Singapore 873 and Hong Kong 845.

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The full list of ties in the second round is as under:

ENGLISH FOOTBALL CUP.

Draw for Second Round Announced.

NOTTS COUNTY AGAIN AWAY.

Owing to some inexplicable reason Reuter's Agency did not cable the draw for the first round proper of the English Cup until last night—nearly 30 hours after it had cabled the results by code. However the Sunday Herald and the *China Mail* published a list of results that was virtually correct, the only addition to the list being the Queen's Park Rangers and Thames match, which was won by the former by 5 goals to nil.

This morning Reuter sends the draw for the second round, to be played on December 13, adding the superfluous information that the Clubs in the First and Second Divisions come into the competition in the third round.

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Gainsborough Trinity v. Southport.
Brentford v. Norwich City.
Accrington v. Torquay.

Fulham or Wimbledon v. Halifax or Mansfield.
Nelson v. York City.
Tranmere or Gateshead v. Folkestone.

Watford v. Luton or Clapton Orient.
Crewe v. Queen's Park Rangers.
Doncaster v. Notts County.
Scarborough v. Lincoln.

Newark Town v. Crystal Palace.
Bristol Rovers v. Stockport.
Walsall v. Dulwich Hamlet or Newport.
Wellington or Wombwell v. Wrexham.

Carlisle v. Tunbridge Wells.
Exeter v. Coventry.

NATIONAL GUARD ADOPT POLO.

Denver Cavalry Are Keen Players.

GOING DIFFICULT.

Denver, Colorado, Oct. 25. Denver units of the Colorado national guard have adopted polo as part of their winter sports programme.

The city has a troop of cavalry, and those members who have the time have been allowed the use of the horses for the game, according to Major Alphonse Ardourel, quartermaster of the Colorado division.

In their first game, the guard team found the going difficult, losing to the Pratt ranchers by 12 goals to 1. The Pratt family own a large ranch east of Denver and their team is composed entirely of members of that family.

Major Ardourel, who has become perhaps the team's most ardent fan, offered a ready alibi for that first defeat, blaming it mostly on the superior quality of the Pratt horses. The Guard since has secured several faster horses and is expected to give the ranch team a better battle in their next encounter.—*United Press*.

HOCKEY.

K.B.S.F.P.A. HOLD THE ARGYLLS.

On the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday afternoon the K.B.S.F.P.A. played a drawn game with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders 1st XI. Both teams were well balanced and some good movements were witnessed. There was no scoring in the first half.

After the interval the F.P.A. broke through and C. C. Francis found the net. This lead was, however, short lived, for a little before full time Corstorphine Dugan scored the equalizer. Play was very fast and of high standard, the ball whistle going with full force, pressing hard for a win.

—*Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders v. Corstorphine Dugan*

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Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

Hockey—To-day—Y.M.C.A. v. R.A. King's Park, 5 p.m.
Golf—To-day—Second round of Railway Cup (Ladies).

December 15—Annual Meeting R.H.K.G.C. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Chess—To-day—First round of Kowloon Chess Club Championship.

Rugby Football—Tomorrow Club "A" v. H.M.S. Medway.

Lawn Tennis—Thursday—Ladies' Open Doubles Championship—Semi-Finals.

Monday—Ladies' Open Doubles Final, U.S.R.C.

Racing—Saturday—Twelfth Extra Race Meeting.

Monday—Extra Meeting, noon.

December 16—Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting.

December 21—Fanling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

February 15—Fanling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

January 18—Fanling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

Boxing—Saturday—Tournament, City Hall, 9 p.m.

Cricket—Saturday—Division I—Craigengower C.C. v. Civil Service (L.)

University v. Kowloon C.C. (F.)

Second Division—Navy v. Royal Artillery (L.)

Police v. University (F.)

Indian R.C. v. E.A.S.C. (F.)

Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio (F.)

Football—Saturday—First Division—St. Joseph's v. Bedfords, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, Royal Artillery, Police v. Club Recreio (F.)

Third Division—B.A.C.C. v. Fukien.

Fencing—Sunday—Opening Meet, Hunters' Arms, 3.15 p.m.

Fencing—Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.45 p.m.

Athletics—March 15 and 16—Hong Kong v. Canton University.

Swimming—December 12—English Swimming Association.

Football—December 12—English

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

RADIO NOTICES

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INWARD MAIIS

From	Per	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Nov. 13) and Europe via Siberia (London, Nov. 13)	Empress of Asia	Hikawa Maru
Japan	...	Sirdhana
Calcutta and Straits	...	Tjikini
Java	...	Tjibodas
Java	WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 3.	Newton Elm.
Amoy and Swatow	...	Cremer.
Shanghai and Swatow	...	Sinkiang
Japan	...	Tanda
Java and Manila	...	Tjileboet
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4.	...	Demodocus
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, Nov. 15)
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, Nov. 6 and Parcels, Oct. 30)	...	Ranchi
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5.
Calcutta and Straits	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7.	Nam Sang
Japan	...	Sydney Maru.
Shanghai and Amoy	...	Tjikarang
Australia and Manila	...	St. Albans
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8.	...	Mirzapore
Straits	...	President McKinley
Manila	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9.	...
Japan and Shanghai	...	D'Artagnan
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12.
Japan and Shanghai	...	Terukuni Maru

OUTWARD MAIIS

For	Per	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2.
Samshui and Wuchow	...	Kochow 4 p.m.
Manila	...	President McKinley 4 p.m.
Saigon	...	Halvard 5 p.m.
Swatow	...	Kwai Sang 5 p.m.
Manila	...	Empress of Asia 5 p.m.
Hikawa Maru (Due Victoria, B.C., Dec. 24.)	...	
Registration	Dec. 2, 5 p.m.	
Letters	Dec. 3, 8.30 a.m.	
DECEMBER 3.	...	
Banlayers	1.30 p.m.	Tai Yuan 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	...	
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4.	...	
Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.	Cramer 10.30 a.m.
Straits	...	Demodocus 2.30 p.m.
Manila	...	Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Swatow	...	Tjikandi 4.30 p.m.
Java via Sourabaya	...	
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5.	...	
Tanda (Due Brisbane December 23.)	...	
Parcels	Dec. 5, 5 p.m.	Registrations 1.45 p.m.
Letters	...	Letters 2.30 p.m.
Haiching	...	Haiching 1 p.m.
Sydney Maru (Due Brisbane December 19)	...	
Registration	4.15 p.m.	
Letters	5 p.m.	
Rawalpindi (Due Marseilles, Jan. 2, 1931.)	...	
K.P.O.	...	
Parcels	Dec. 5, 4.30 p.m.	G.P.O.
Registration	Dec. 6, 9 a.m.	Parcels Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
Letters	10 a.m.	Registration Dec. 6, 9.45 a.m.
Japan	...	Letters 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai & *Europe via Siberia	...	Ranchi 5 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.	Registration Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7.	Namsang 5 p.m.	Letters 6 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangau 8.30 a.m.	
Amoy	Kwangtung 9 a.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.	
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8.	Kumsang	
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 1 p.m.	
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.	President McKinley (Due Victoria, B.C., Dec. 26.)	
Parcels	Dec. 8, 3 p.m.	Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters	5 p.m.	Letters 5 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	President McKinley	Registration Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
Manila and Sourabaya	...	Letters 6 p.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Tjikarang 9.30 a.m.	
Swatow	Hai Yang 1 p.m.	

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NURSERY YEARS.

One can hardly expect to get a satisfactory definition of success, because the word means something different to a score of types of people. If one asked those eager, anxious parents what they wanted for their children, 70 per cent. of them would say "success". Of the remainder, half are too stupid to look into the future, half too wise to want "success," writes Dr. Elizabeth Sloan Chesser, in the Evening News.

If you happen to be a parent you probably wonder sometimes about the ways and means of these giants of commerce, these great politicians, film idols and best-seller authors, all the people dashing along roads to "success".

The Salt of the Earth.

Is it something special these men and women possess? It can't be what we used to call brains, which many obviously lack. Perhaps it is an extra allowance of those glandular secretions of which people talk so learnedly, giving us conversation almost as dreary as eternal discussions about bridge and game and race meetings. Or is it "environment" which will make your children the salt of the earth?

Glands one may assess as the hereditary psychological make-up of the personality; and environment as that "outside" of us which is supplied by the home food and furniture, parents, friends and acquaintances—the salts and sinners in our social group.

Environment includes education. The old-fashioned Scot, who would have snorted at this modern talk of glands, desired education above everything else, and so there followed the twentieth century invasion of London from the north.

The popular scientific view of the moment is "inheritance," whether, or make an effort?

This is a beautiful excuse for laziness, just as artistic temperament is sometimes held to excuse greasy hair, casual attitude to keep appointments.

Has the self, the "you" who are failing or succeeding at this moment, the right to blame your ancestor or suggest that you are at the mercy of your thyroid, which may make you poetical or extravagant, or, if it is a poor sort of thyroid, rather dull? Have you the right to make excuses about glands of combat or glands of fear, glands that make you charming or determined, mad or sane (depending on a little surplus or a little lack of obscure biochemical compounds): or is it a more complicated problem far beyond this pseudo-scientific jargon about things of which the greatest scientists of the day know very little.

They Must Be Happy, Too. In considering those factors which make for success, let us take first those upon which we shall all agree, realising that success itself is a word which makes for controversy.

Health, both mental and physical, influences success. Those who awaken every morning feeling alive, interested, appreciative of the life without and the life within, are fortunate.

As for the mind, healthy blood corpuscles, a sound gall bladder and a happy appendix all influence the brain and that part of it which thinks.

The ancients recognised different health types. Consider for the moment two of them, the Sanguine and the Melancholic. The first type will be the more successful in that sanguine people live easy, happy lives and attract friendship and affection. The liverish melancholic may be a potential genius but what is the good of success if it be associated with chronic malaise?

Habit, will and character are also concerned with success, and they are dependent to a large extent on early environment—that is, on education in the home before the age of six.

We muddle with our children because we know so little about the human mind and character, and one has only to read some of the speeches at recent meetings of the British Association to realise the confusion that exists among experts.

The super-normal child will make good in spite of parental mistakes, but the average, and, above all, the sub-average boy or girl, is infinitely the better for wise parents.

In any one family, even in nursery days, as every old Nanny knows, there are "types". One child seems to be outstanding from the first. A child who is intelligent, diligent, determined, is almost certain to achieve success in work which gives opportunities for his particular gifts.

On the other hand, the odd, dreamy child, the so-called fool of the family, may be a potential writer or artist who will achieve world-wide fame.

Heredity is not Everything.

Achievement—let us admit what is self-evident—depends to a considerable extent on inherited brain pattern. There are stocks which produce a high average of fine intellectual men and women, and there are stocks which, through mental inferiority, show generation after generation, a large percentage of fools, criminals and defectives.

In the Kallikak family of Vine land (a case recorded in a research laboratory) a young man of good family becomes, through two different women, the ancestor of two lines of descendants, one characterised by good respectable normal citizens; the other equally characterised by mental defectives in every generation.

On the good side of the family there were prominent, that is successful, people in every walk of life; on the bad side were examples of all forms of social pests with which modern society is burdened.

So much for heredity, but one may ask whether, if the mother of the degenerate stock had not been deserted by the father, the history of her descendants might have been less dreary and sad, if not entirely different.

We should desire success for our children in the sense that we want them to be decent, useful citizens, clean in body and mind, interested in the work they ought to do, and doing it well. We should like our offspring to be good husbands, wives who share work and responsibility, and, above all, satisfactory and happy parents.

The best any parent can do with regard to environment is to promote a healthy and happy attitude to life. Everyone has his own standard of success, but those who are well brought up are more likely to live successfully in face of the adversity and disappointment everybody experiences sometimes. It is curious, when one thinks of it, how much happier and more successful we could all become in one day if we could change our hypercritical, self-pitying, gloomy attitude to life—a difficult achievement, but not impossible.

The Spur of Friendship.

It is no easy matter to feel friendly to all our neighbours. If we were brutally truthful we could acknowledge that we hate the sight and sound and smell of one or two (interesting subject, subconscious smell). At the same time, the parent who wants worldly success makes her children at least polite.

Rudeness, so fashionable in these days, costs many a fortune and not a few friends. Thackeray advised persons "commencing" the world to praise everybody. "Never be squeamish," he says, "but speak out your compliment both point blank in a man's face and behind his back when you know there is a reasonable chance of his hearing it again."

But surely flattery must be subtle to gratify intelligent people. "Never lose a chance of saying a kind word"—that is better. To speak kindly of people make us like them more, and whether we regard success from the worldly or a higher point of view, the more sincere friendships we form, the more successful will life become. The interest of a friend is a wonderful spur to achievement.

The condition of the victim is satisfactory, according to the doctor, the man having regained consciousness and stitches having been placed on the ghastly wound. It is understood that there are no known motives for the attack. It is also rumoured that the man was formerly employed by a local bakery, and after being dismissed some time ago had to undergo treatment for some mental affliction—P. & T. Times.

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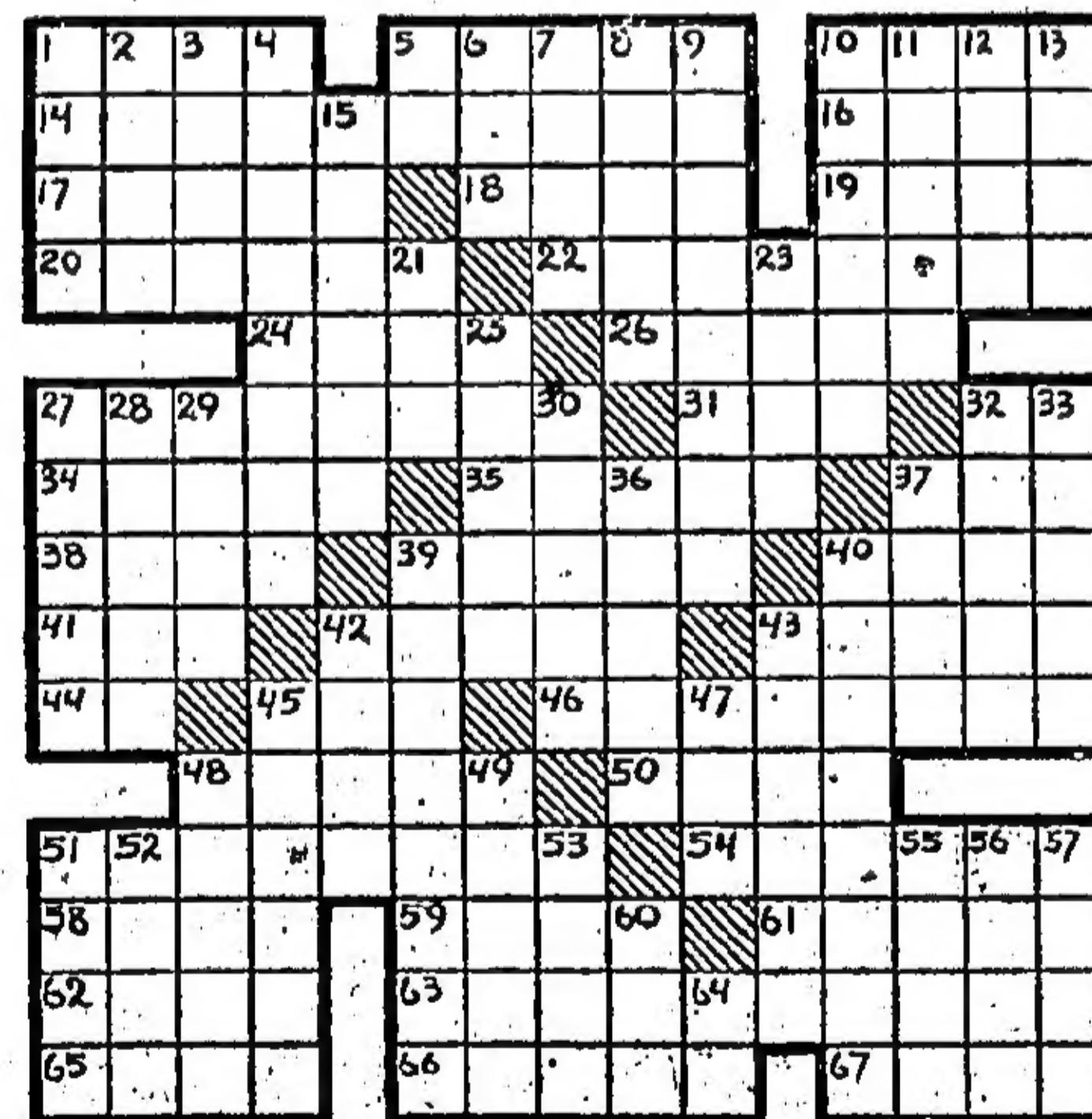
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Resistant by
2-Responsible
3-In France
4-Specified time (pl.)
5-That which is made
known
6-Range
7-Three times
8-A shade tree (pl.)
9-Level shaded walk
10-Vendor
11-Pratesworth
12-A mela
13-Hauls
14-Wearing a bonnet
15-Anger
16-Franz (abbr.)
17-Willow
18-Concede
19-Synonym for
20-Contentious person
21-Mars
22-Twisted
23-Uncovered
24-Tim
25-Leaf of a palm
26-Dinner dish
27-Legume
28-Hawk (abbr.)
29-Farm buildings

VERTICAL
1-Branches of learning
2-Exalted
3-Wicked
4-Refused
5-Patent
6-Consumed
7-Rivulus
8-Wanderer
9-Making secure
10-Injury
11-Desert dwellers
12-Should
13-Auction

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5 p.m.—European Programme of Records supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

5.35 p.m.—Children's Programme.

Nursery Rhymes Fantasy, Charles Renard and His Orchestra (9388).

Topsy Turvy Land, The Never Never Players with Orchestra (5082).

The Inkwell Fairy—The Land Beyond the moon, Red Rock Island or the Pirates' Lair, Billie Grey & His Orchestra (4110).

Kiddi-Logues—In the Disney Room, Told by Christine Silver (4433).

Nursery Rhymes Medley, The Century Quartette (3601).

5.35-6.30 p.m.—Orchestral. Zampa Overture, The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra (0552).

Witches Dance from "Le Vill", Concert Waltz in F major, B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra (9114).

Casse Noisette Suite, B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra (0260-0262).

The Vagabond King, Percival Mackay's Band (9195).

6.30-7 p.m.—Operatic.

Tannhauser—O Star of Eve, J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (0123).

Romeo & Juliet—Waltz Song, Faust—Jewel Song, Gertrude Johnson, Soprano (9193).

II "Trôvatore", B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra (9185).

Faust—Vocal Gems, 7.40 p.m.—A Concert.

Præludium, The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (0090).

O Lovely Night, Doris Vane, Soprano (0283).

Serenade, Angel's Serenade, J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (0116).

The Signpost, Roy Henderson, Baritone (0438).

Song of Hybris the Cretan, Robert Easton, Bass (0412).

Home Sweet Home, Doris Vane, Soprano (0176).

Hungarian Rhapsody, William Murdoch, Pianist (0282).

7.40-8 p.m.—"How To Listen To Music" by Dr. Percy Buck (40102).

8 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre Relay.

9 p.m.—Weather Report.

11 p.m.—Close Down.



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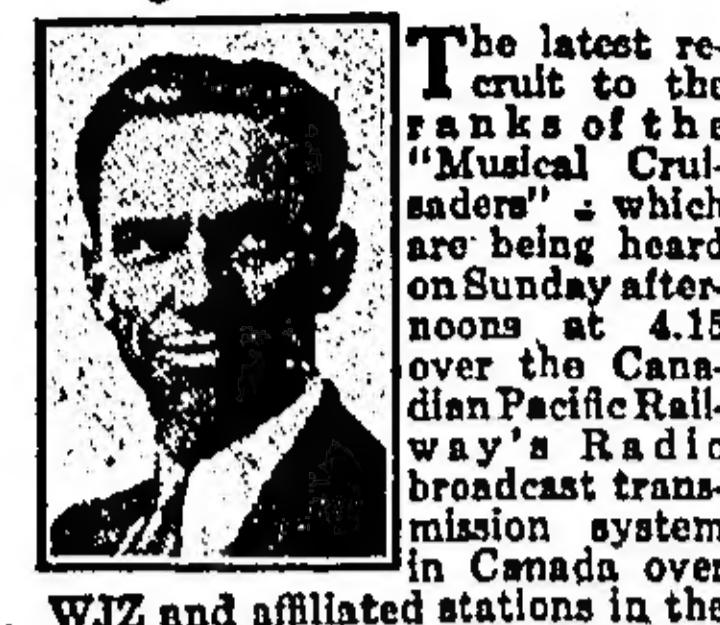
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Stanley Maxted Sings With Musical Crusaders



The latest recruit to the ranks of the "Musical Crusaders" which are being heard on Sunday afternoon at 3.15 p.m. on the Canadian Pacific Railway's Radio broadcast transmission system, in Canada over WJZ and affiliated stations in the United States, is Stanley Maxted, well known Canadian tenor and writer.

The Musical Crusaders offer Radio listeners the opportunity of following a programme of musicals marking the World Cruise on the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of Australia." The artists include four male and four female voices.

These musical travolques, are the work of Mr. Maxted, who has had long experience in the radio world as singer and program-maker.

Born in Folkestone, England, Mr. Maxted came to Canada at the age of nine and received all his musical training in Montreal, where he also studied voice and won wide repute as concert and oratorio singer. When the war came he enlisted as a private with the Canadian forces, returning as a Lieutenant. He now holds the rank of major in the Canadian Militia. At the Scottish Festival in Band last year he created the leading role in "Prince Charles and Flora", a band independent dealing with a royalistic incident in the life of the Young Pretender. During the past year he has sung in an average of six concerts weekly on the air, including the notable Cathedral Hora or Oratorio music, the Grand Opera, a Miniature, and a weekly recital with organ accompaniment. Mr. Maxted also introduced radio and concert audiences to Frank Simpson's settings of Milne's songs in "When We Were Very Young."

I'M ALONE CASE.

U.S. HOPES FROM FINDING OF RADIO-STATION.

The United States Government, which is trying to make the best possible case for itself over the sinking of the Canadian schooner I'm Alone last year, is gratified by the capture of Cecil Molyneux during a raid in which an elaborate radio station, used to communicate with an reorganized Rum Row, was found in Brooklyn.

The station, located by a sensitive direction finder, was in charge of Molyneux and Malcolm MacMasters, both of whom were assigned on a charge of operating a radio station without a licence, and released on \$7,500 bail, which was promptly furnished.

Following the arraignment, however, the Government discovered that Molyneux had been radio operator on the I'm Alone, and it was reported to be preparing to ask for a rearrest and an increase of bail to \$50,000, in the belief that Molyneux could verify the Government's contention that the I'm Alone was a notorious smuggler operated then by the same gang which now owns the raided radio station.

Since the United States must rest its case largely on the past record of the I'm Alone in an attempt to justify its action in sinking the schooner, anything which has a bearing in that connection would be welcomed by Government officials.

WIRELESS SMUGGLING.

Syndicate With Annual Business Of £3,000,000.

New York, Sept. 23.—Agents in the Department of Justice asserted in connection with the arrest on Friday of two wireless operators in an unlicensed short-wave station in Brooklyn that a liquor smuggling syndicate, which secures its supplies from St. Pierre and the Bahamas, is now doing an annual business amounting to £16,000,000 (£20,000,000) in the United States. They stated that one of the men arrested, whom they described as a "radio genius," had been the wireless operator on I'm Alone, the Canadian vessel sunk by a United States revenue cutter in the Gulf of Mexico 18 months ago. I'm Alone, they alleged, was worked by this same smuggling syndicate.

The Corporation, however, would expect to be reimbursed for any additional expenses incurred by extending the British programmes overseas, and also safeguarded from commercial exploitation of its service by broadcasters overseas.

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The cost of an Empire station on the lines thus indicated, including both engineering and programme charges, would be in the neighbourhood of £22,000 a year.

EMPIRE LINKED.

FRUIT OF IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

PROPOSED SERVICE.

One of the major, most fruitful results of the Imperial Conference meetings is likely to be the establishment of an Empire Broadcasting Station, probably at Daventry, to replace the tentative and incomplete transmissions of the last three years from G5SW, the experimental short wave station at Chelmsford.

The British Broadcasting Corporation have promised the Colonial Office to place Home programmes at the disposal of any Empire service which may be created, free, for a period of five years; and this offer will, no doubt, weigh with the Communications Committee of the Imperial Conference, which gave special consideration to the cost of an Empire station. The committee, of which the Prime Minister of New Zealand is the chairman, has spent some time discussing a scheme for reciprocal broadcasting within the Empire.

The short wave broadcasts now sent from Chelmsford are not dignified with the title of "service" by the B.B.C. Transmission takes place only between 12.30 and 1.30 midday, and from 7 p.m. until midnight on Monday to Friday (London-time)—when whatever forms the material of the national programme during those hours is used.

News, however—the very portion of a Home programme which is most eagerly listened for by scattered British communities overseas—is excluded from the broadcasts altogether, owing to the exigencies of news-agency copyrights.

News a Principal Item.

If a suitable broadcasting station is to be set up for the Empire, the B.B.C. appreciate that news ought to be elevated into one of the principal items, and have already ascertained what would be the cost of supplying special Empire bulletins.

The Chelmsford plant would not be capable of dealing with a full Empire wireless service, being indeed, little suited for other than experimental work. To reach all quarters of the Empire during varying times and conditions, at least two wave-lengths would be necessary, and a medium power station that would serve for the next few years, might for convenience and economy, be placed at Daventry, unless a risk appears of interfering with the efficiency of the two stations already there. According to an estimate of the B.B.C., the capital expenditure on an Empire station would amount to £40,000.

Programmes would have to be dispatched at times to coincide with the leisure of listeners in different parts of the Empire, and would probably have entertainment and "home contacts" as subsidiary to news. Selections from the alternative British programmes would furnish the entertainment, and arrangements would probably be made to transmit items of special interest to those abroad, even if they were not being supplied to listeners at home.

Trade Propaganda.

The B.B.C. are willing to place Home programmes at the disposal of an Empire service for five years, a period which coincides with the life of the technical equipment of a station to meet Empire requirements.

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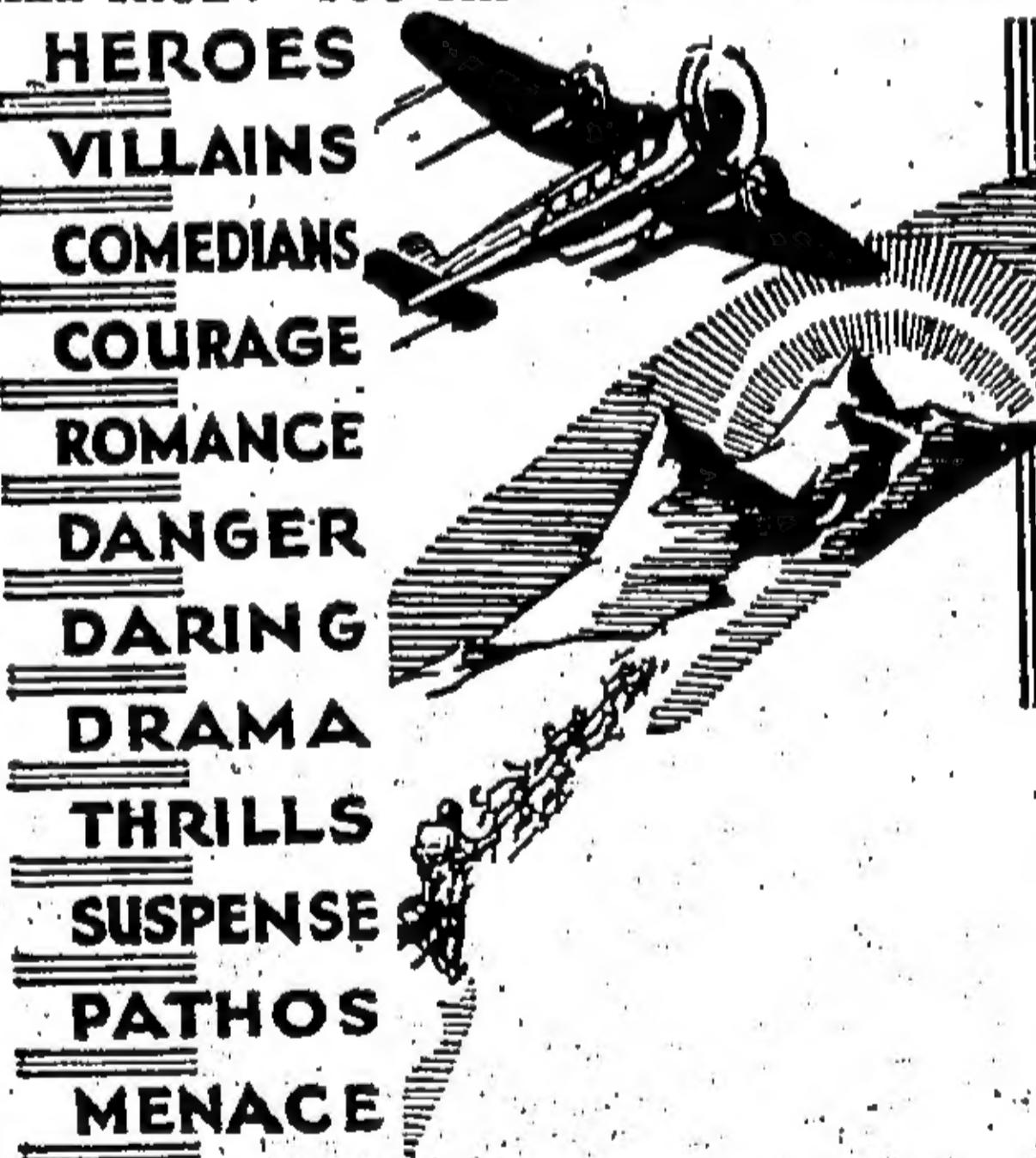
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OVER 2,000,000 IDLE.

Washington, Yesterday. The trade depression was reflected in President Hoover's annual message to Congress to-day, in announcing budget deficit of \$180,000,000, contrasted with the estimated surplus of \$123,000,000. Nevertheless, the fundamental security of the Nation's economic life was unimpaired.

He declared that the number of wholly unemployed, as accurately determined by the census taken in April, was about 2,500,000, whilst the Labour Department's index was larger. Trades had shown some increase since.

He asked for an emergency appropriation of between \$100,000,000 and \$150,000,000 to accelerate construction and increase employment during the next six months. But commitments beyond that period were unwarranted.

OPTIMISTIC NOTE.

Washington, Later.

It is estimated that the 1932 expenditure will be \$4,054,000,000, and the revenue \$4,085,000,000, if the tax reduction is discontinued. The picture painted by Mr. Hoover, however, was by no means gloomy. He traced a substantial progress last year in national peace and security and noted that the fundamental security of the nation's economic life was unimpaired. Education and scientific discovery had made advances, while "the major forces depression lie outside the United States and our recuperation is retarded by the unwarranted fear or apprehension created thereby."

Prices Stable.

He declared that the United States had estimated 80 to 85 per cent. of its normal activities and the incomes of the major financial institutions had weathered the storm unimpaired. Commodity prices remained approximately stable and number of industries was showing signs of increasing demand, and the world at large was readjusting itself to the situation.

But the problem of the relief of unemployment was somewhat less than the published estimates of numbers would indicate. The number of distressed families represented only 10 to 12 per cent. of the calculated number of unemployed.

The subject of national defence he dismissed in a few words with a reference to the London Naval Treaty, which established for the United States parity with the

FOUR YEARS AGO. CONSPIRATORS NOW BROUGHT TO JUSTICE.

TWO SENTENCED.

Madrid, Yesterday. The trial of the persons charged with conspiracy against the King and Primo De Rivera in 1926 has resulted in four persons being sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for attempting to assassinate the head of the Government, and one accomplice to a month's imprisonment. The other was acquitted. Reuter.

GALLANT GOVERNOR TO FLY BACK TO FRANCE FROM SAIGON.

Paris, Yesterday. As a sign that the Paris to Saigon air route is now a practical reality, the airmen Goulette and Lalouette are bringing home the Governor-General of Indo-China, who has cancelled his passage on the Messageries Maritimes liner in order to save three weeks on the journey. Reuter.

TARIFF INCREASE.

EGYPT TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL INDUSTRIES.

Cairo, Yesterday. In order to encourage local industries the Government is increasing tariffs per 100 kilos of rice from 20 to 30 piastres, macaroni from 40 to 60, bananas from 60 to 120, pears from 24 to 35, and apples from 15 to 24 piastres. Reuter.

SIR B. MITRA.

CREATED HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR INDIA.

London, Yesterday. The Government of India has selected Sir Bhupendranath Mitra, the former Finance Member of the Viceroy's Council, to succeed Sir Atul Chatterjee as High Commissioner of India in the United Kingdom. Reuter.

strongest foreign Powers, and brought important economies in the conduct of the Navy.

As regards the future, Mr. Hoover commanded the Congress to consider legislation to facilitate railway consolidation, the revision of the immigration laws, and the strengthening of the deportation laws to rid the country of criminal aliens. Reuter's American Service.

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Further evidence was taken, after which his Worship adjourned the case to Saturday.

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